

## DEMAND RADICAL CHANGE IN LAWS NEW MOVEMENT AFOOT IN CITY

### Special Session of Legislature Is Urged.

Radical changes in the municipal act and the passing of a direct primary law are demanded by the men back of a new movement to promote harmony in the ranks of the Republican party in preparation for the fight this coming fall. The promoters declare that the only way to secure the desired harmony among the Republicans, who are more or less split by the fight at the last convention, is to unite upon a program which will have for its object the advancement of municipal government along modern and progressive lines.

It is also planned to secure a special session of the legislature as speedily as possible so that the proposed changes in the municipal law can be made and a primary law enacted, both to become effective in time for use at the fall elections. It is almost certain that the matter will be taken up with the Governor as soon as he comes back from the mainland, and he will be asked to call a session of the lawmakers and designate in his message just what legislation is needed.

One of the features of the campaign as planned at present will be the nomination of a ticket, which to quote A. L. C. Atkinson, "will be made up of the very best material procurable in the Territory and which will compel the support of the people by its sheer merit."

#### On Field's Report.

Many of the suggestions advanced by the advocates of this latest movement in local politics, are modeled along the lines of the report on municipal affairs, filed some weeks ago by H. Gooding Field, expert on municipal government. Chief among these last is the assertion that the fundamental city law is in need of a complete re-writing, not a patching or a revamping, but radical and fundamental alterations, which will change the entire structure, bring it up to date, and enable the better elements in the community to secure results.

The slogan of the new movement will be "back to the people." According to A. L. C. Atkinson and others connected with the movement, the plans have already been discussed by the leaders of all the factions and in general commended. Said Mr. Atkinson yesterday:

"We are all Republicans and while we may differ in some respects with each other there is no deep seated or vital cause for fighting. We are all willing to get together in the interests of the party, as a whole rather than of any particular part or faction."

#### Sure of Success.

"Following the convention those of us who felt that way decided that the best possible manner in which the party could be healed effectively would be to start a propaganda calling for the advancement of the interests of Honolulu city and county. We are all of us willing to make sacrifices, and I believe that we can put the thing through successfully."

"In behalf of the movement it is enough to say now that it is progressive in the truest sense of the word. We want to see a special session of the legislature called as soon as possible and a new municipal act, and a direct primary law that will give the people a chance to say who are to handle the funds for their roads and their streets, and their government, passed then. It is absurd to suppose that Honolulu, in this day can remain much longer in the rear of the march of progress. Why should we leave the control of such matters—matters vitally affecting the welfare of the islands, in the hands of the board of supervisors? Why should Honolulu, of all cities, stand still, clinging fast to the old idea of government, while all the rest of the world is moving forward?"

#### His Suggestions.

"Let us get hold of a man like H. Gooding Field and a competent attorney who is not embarrassed by the details of a heavy practice, and let them draw up a new municipal law and a primary law. Let these experts devote their entire time to the matter until it has been settled. Then let it be submitted to the legislature at a special session. The law should, we believe, contain a provision for dismissing incompetent public servants. Call it the recall if you will, although I do not like the term, but let the idea be incorporated by the framers of the city code. J. P. Cooke's suggestion to that effect is one of the best things put forward here for months."

"The experience of our county government in the last few years has taught us many things which it would be well to provide for in the new law. But all other things should be subordinated to the primary idea. That is by far the most important feature of our scheme. We should have had primaries long ago. Every upstate Governor on the mainland has seen to it that the people of his State have had a chance to make plain their wishes in all matters, through the medium of the primary. We should do the same."

## DETAILS SHOW SIZE OF SCHEME

### TOURIST-BRINGING PLANS THE GREATEST ANNOUNCED IN HAWAII TO DATE.

"Will the Hilo Railroad Company extend its track to the Volcano, if a huge hotel is built there on the plans announced from Hilo?" was asked of L. A. Thurston, general manager of the railroad company, who arrived from the Big Island yesterday.

"I think there is no doubt that the railroad company would build to the crater's edge, under those conditions," said Mr. Thurston.

"The scheme, as it has been outlined to me, looks like the biggest proposition in the way of a tourist propaganda that I have heard of, in all my years in the Islands.

"The building of a world's pleasure and health resort on the edge of the big crater, would revolutionize Hawaii, from a tourist standpoint. The special steamers from the mainland would bring thousands of tourists, and the result would be that Hilo would be built up into a gay tourist resort."

"The new Hilo wharf will accommodate the large steamships that will bring tourists, and the extension of the railroad to the new Volcano Hotel would make the trip an easy one."

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)

**HILO, May 19.**—Before the Panama Canal is opened and about the time that the big exposition will be ready to start in San Francisco, one of the biggest undertakings that has ever been put under way in Hawaii, will be accomplished. An enormous hotel, on the plan of the famous Del Monte, will be thrown open for the reception of visitors to the volcano of Kilauea, while in Hilo another hotel, built on up-to-date lines, will be ready for tourists. The Hilo railroad will have been extended to the new volcano hotel, and this island and, in fact, the rest of the group, will be in full swing as the most advertised tourist resort in the whole world.

Thus, in a nutshell, may the plans of a big syndicate be told. At the present time a Californian syndicate holds an option over both the Hilo hotel and the Volcano House hotel. The syndicate is composed of big hotel men, who hail from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle and Portland.

#### Option Given.

Two months ago a representative of the syndicate visited Hilo and obtained an option on the two hotels. The price named can not at present be divulged, but it is considered to be satisfactory.

The representative of the Californian interests returned to the mainland and last week, a communication was received in Hilo that opened the eyes of those interested in the scheme.

#### Very Large Scale.

The whole proposition is to be dealt with on a big basis. No small country hotel scheme is mooted. Everything will be on a lavish scale, and money would seem to be of no object to the promoters. The plans are to erect a mammoth hotel, which will stand in grounds that will rival any hostelry in the world. In fact the hotel is to be made world famous by means of advertising. While the people of Hawaii will, of course, be entered for, it will be the great mainland and European cities and states, that will be combed for tourists.

#### Entertainment Feature.

Every possible provision will be made for the entertainment of the guests of the Volcano Hotel. Tennis courts, both indoor and outdoor, will be built. Golf links will be found near the hotel. Sulphur baths and other curative plunge pools will abound. As a health resort the new hotel will be advertised all over the civilized globe.

#### Expensive Proposition.

A large amount of money will be spent on the two hotels, but the promoters have no fear but that the coin will all come back, with interest, in a short time. And when the further plans of the syndicate are given, sky

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## RICHESON CALM AS END COMES

### MURDERER OF SWEETHEART SAYS "I AM WILLING TO DIE"—DEATH SOON.

**BOSTON, May 21.**—The Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson paid the penalty of the murderer, in the electric chair at the Charleston prison last night. He was calm when the end came and walked unassisted to the death chamber, and even assisted in fastening the apparatus. "I am ready to die, now," he said to the warden, when the latter asked, "I am going to Jesus," were his last words.

#### The Crime.

One of the most amazing murder cases in Massachusetts' criminal annals came to an end with the execution of the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, former pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Cambridge, who caused the death of Miss Avia Linnell, October 14, 1911. The girl had been his former sweetheart, from whom he wished to be free, so that he could wed Miss Violet Edmonds, daughter of a wealthy resident of Brookline.

Several days after the death of his victim, from drinking cyanide of potassium, furnished by Richeson on the pretense that it was a medicinal preparation which would overcome her condition, the police fastened the crime upon the clergyman and October 21 the grand jury brought in an indictment, revealing one of the most despicable crimes of recent years.

While awaiting trial, which had been set for January 15, Richeson became despondent and attempted to end his life in his prison cell by mutilating himself with a piece of tin. Four surgeons were hastily summoned by the prison officials and his life was saved, though he was very much weakened from loss of blood.

About two weeks before the time set for the trial, Richeson declared his guilt of the premeditated murder of his former sweetheart and without a tremor heard Judge Sanderson sentence him to death in the electric chair.

An effort was recently made by his counsel to obtain life imprisonment instead of death as punishment, upon the plea of insanity, but experts proved the contrary, and the doomed murderer from that time on lost courage, verging on complete collapse.

Richeson was thirty-five years of age and was a native of Rose Hill, Virginia. He was graduated from William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, in 1906. Later he took the ministerial course and was graduated from the Newton Theological Institution. He was ordained to the ministry in St. Louis and his pastorate in Massachusetts was his first regular charge.

## LORIMER NICELY WHITEWASHED

**WASHINGTON, May 20.**—The majority report of the committee investigating the charges of bribery brought against Senator William Lorimer of Illinois, in connection with his election, was today submitted to the senate. The majority report exonerates Lorimer.

It is signed by Senators Gamble of South Dakota, Jones of Washington, Fletcher of Florida and Johnston of Alabama. A minority report, signed by Kern of Indiana, Lea of Tennessee and Kenyon of Iowa, condemns Lorimer. The majority report of the committee says that no new evidence has been brought forward to show that Lorimer secured his seat by bribery and fraud. The minority report says that ten of the votes given Lorimer in the Illinois legislature were "bought."

#### BODY IDENTIFIED.

**LOS ANGELES, May 20.**—The body found floating in the harbor of San Pedro yesterday, with indications of foul play about it, is believed to be that of Bernard Rein, an auto salesman.

#### FIVE DIE IN ACCIDENT.

**CHICAGO, May 20.**—Three unidentified men and two women were drowned last night when a speeding auto ran into an open drawbridge across the river.

## HILO WANTS H. GOODING FIELD TO INVESTIGATE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Hilo's commercial interests want the searchlight of H. Gooding Field's scientific management knowledge turned upon its county government. The Hilo Board of Trade has invited Mr. Field to consider a proposition to make a thorough investigation of the county's affairs, financial and otherwise, and to be done as he sees fit and make it material to do so.

Dr. J. H. Hill, head of the board of trade, has written to Mr. Field inquiring whether he would be willing to make the investigation, following the plan adopted in investigating the city and county government of Honolulu.

## PLAN A CENTRAL CIVIC BODY ORGANIZATION IS UNDER WAY

Resolved that the following gentlemen, W. F. Dillingham, S. von Damm, E. E. Paxton, L. T. Peck, E. A. Berndt, G. W. Smith, John A. Hughes, Richard H. Trent, Mayor Fern, John E. Galt, S. Shels, Wm. Y. Kwai Fong, and A. D. Castro, be appointed a committee to investigate the feasibility of forming a united civic organization in Honolulu, to be known as the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce, or another name equally suitable for the purpose, and at a public meeting, to be called by the committee, make a report, submit plans for such an organization, or make some other definite recommendations to carry out the spirit of this meeting.

"Work for the love of Honolulu and all other things shall be added unto you," might have been taken as the text chosen by the many speakers at the banquet given by J. P. Cooke to about fifty representative men, invited to the University Club last night, to discuss the formation of a central civic organization which should encompass all the other similar bodies now working in the city. The keynote of the gathering was struck by General Maccomb, when he said that what Honolulu needs more than anything else is a central body, which can authoritatively give official voice to the sentiment of the community toward plans for the general betterment."

All phases of the project were touched upon by the speakers. Nor did those who disagreed with the idea prove backward in stating their views. George W. Smith was designated by Mr. Cooke as the "official objector," and did his best to find difficulties, or, as he expressed them "differences." He declared the scheme commendable, but added that the idea was not a new one and that it had failed in the past, when the merchants' association had "thrown it down." He pointed out that that same association had in a measure compelled the adoption of more liberal rules by the chamber of commerce, and hinted that the organization suggested might have the same effect with the present bodies. The chief difficulty, he declared, was the fact that all civic organizations now working in Honolulu are jealous of each other.

His statement, pointed and pregnant as it was, failed to dampen the apparent ardor of the meeting and other speakers who followed Mr. Smith gave voice to the idea that all must work for the good of Honolulu, or nothing could be accomplished.

#### Sedgewick's Motion.

After the addresses had been concluded and the general discussion came on Mr. Sedgewick moved that the organization be formed there and then, as "the opportunity is now, tonight." He subsided when he learned that Mr. Cooke had pledged himself that no formal action should be taken other than the appointment of a committee to consider the plans for organization.

Mr. Cooke started the speechifying ball to rolling, when, after a good dinner was over and the cigars had been passed, he told of his experience in San Francisco. His attention had been attracted to the possibility of such an organization as was then under discussion, he said, when he visited the Coast city about a year ago. He had learned with some surprise of the amalgamation of practically all the civic bodies and the immense advantages which had followed the step. He called upon those present for a frank statement of their views regarding the proposed plan and wound up by introducing H. Gooding Field, the municipal expert.

#### Field's Address.

Mr. Field said: "Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—The modern Chamber of Commerce, or to use a more comprehensive term—the People's Forum—had its prototype in Cleveland, Ohio, nearly twenty-five years ago. In a number of progressive communities at the present time, such a chamber has become the active agency by which a city builds itself—moulds its character, shapes its physical qualities and forms its social ideals. Wherever it has been established, prosperity has invariably followed and good government and good public service has been secured. The secret of its success can be directly traced to the spirit of active cooperation which has prompted the better minded of the city to merge all its civic organizations into one large, vigorous and progressive body."

"The Cleveland Chamber of Commerce was a success from the start, and so important has this institution now become that it literally guides the course of its community. It stands sponsor for any and every movement for the betterment of the city and the uplift of its citizens. City planning, (Continued on Page 8.)

## PRINCE IS KILLED SPEEDING TO FUNERAL

### An Automobile Upsets, Crushing Heir to Throne.

### CHAMBERLAIN ALSO

### On Way to Obsequies of Late King of Denmark.

**FRIESACK, Prussia, May 21.**—While speeding his automobile, in which he was hurrying to Copenhagen, to attend the funeral of the late King Frederik, Prince Georg William of Saxony was instantly killed yesterday when his machine skidded and turned upside down. His chamberlain, Herr von Grove, was also instantly killed.

Word of the accident was at once sent to King Frederik of Saxony, and instructions were sent to hold the bodies here until they can be taken home in state.

The royal house of Saxony is counted among the oldest reigning houses in Europe. Heinrich of Ellenburg, of the family of Wettin, was Margrave of Meissen, 1089-1102. At the death of his Kourad the Great, well known in Saxon history, the family spread into many branches.

The whole kingdom is now in mourning for the Prince was well as for King Frederik of Denmark. Kaiser William sent a message of sympathy to the King of Saxony.

## SAN DIEGO CITIZENS PLAN DEMONSTRATION AGAINST INDUSTRIALS

**SAN DIEGO, California, May 21.**—Citizens here are planning a master demonstration against the Industrial Workers of the World for today. The affair will come off at the same time that the alleged vigilante leader, Mr. Porter, appears in court to answer a charge of contempt. Moore and the alleged vigilantes have been cited for contempt for threatening an "Industrial."

#### REITMAN'S CHARGES.

**SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.**—Dr. Ben Reitman and Emma Goldman reached here last night from Los Angeles. Reitman declared he was subjected to the grossest indignities by the vigilantes before he was finally tarred and feathered in San Diego.

## DARROW JURY ALMOST FILLED

**LOS ANGELES, May 21.**—Eleven jurors now sit in the jury box awaiting the opening of the trial of Clarence Darrow, the attorney for the McNamara, who is charged with bribery of a syndicate in the famous dynamiting case.

#### SUGAR MAN TALKS.

**NEW YORK, May 20.**—Chester B. Morse, general manager of the Great Western Sugar Company, and the government's witness in the anti-trust suit against the American Sugar Refining Company, testified on the stand today that his company's stock is \$25,000,000. He declared that in 1908 C. C. Brown of the American Sugar Refining Company offered to buy the Great Western's plants on behalf of the American company.

#### BABBALL STRIKE HINDERS.

**PHILADELPHIA, May 20.**—The baseball strike, caused by the protests of the Detroit American League players to playing with Ty Cobb suspended, came to an end today and games will be resumed tomorrow. Cobb is still out of the game under suspension for striking a spectator.

#### WEDDING IN CHINA.

**CHONGKING, May 20.**—Both President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt are planning their wedding in China.

## TAFT MAN WILL BE TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF THE BIG CONVENTION



### SENATOR ROOT.

**CHICAGO, May 21.**—That the Taft forces are strongly in control of the Republican national committee was evidenced yesterday when a pronounced Taft man was named to be the temporary chairman of the Republican national convention to convene next month. The announcement was made by Harry Stewart New, national committee chairman, and Senator Elihu Root of New York is the man selected to preside over the convention when it comes to order.

## NEGRO REVOLT NIPPED IN BUD

**HAVANA, Cuba, May 21.**—What is believed would have been a widespread uprising among the negroes of the island and has been frustrated by the authorities, who have seized the suspected leaders and confiscated various stores of weapons and ammunition. The authorities have been watching the negro leaders carefully, having secured information that a more than usual amount of unrest existed among them.

## LIGHTHOUSE TENDER POUNDS TO PIECES

**CORDOVA, Alaska, May 21.**—The lighthouse tender Arneria went ashore in a gale near here yesterday and was pounded to pieces against the rocks. The members of her crew, with one exception, were rescued, although all were in imminent danger for some hours.

## CUPID WILL VOTE FOR PRESIDENT TAFT, BELIEVES J. P. COOKE

"I haven't any idea that Prince Kohlo will vote for any one but Taft," said J. P. Cooke yesterday. "We had every reason to believe when he left Honolulu that such was his purpose, and I have no reason to doubt his attitude. I am sure he will vote for Taft, first, last and all the time."

Mr. Cooke was asked whether he had heard a rumor that Colonel Parker, H. L. Hubbs and others of the "Kuhlo-Kavany" ticket were to make a protest against the regularly elected Taft delegation from Hawaii being seated.

"I have heard nothing about it," replied Mr. Cooke. "First of all, what grounds would there be for a protest?" The Rev. Stephen Deane denied the report that he had received a letter from Cooke, announcing the likelihood of a protest of voters for Roosevelt. "There is nothing in the rumor that public will not vote for Taft, so far as I know," declared the prominent politician.